

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



August 2, 2026 + 10:00 a.m.

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...
an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- **Within the sanctuary** please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- **Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order** are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- **Services of worship and other events at Redeemer are routinely livestreamed or photographed.** If you do not want your image to be captured on livestreaming or in photographs, please speak to an usher or the leader of the event so that you can be offered alternative seating in the gathering area or can be excluded from the photograph.
- **Please silence your cell phone.**
- **Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation,** we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.

Prelude

German Dance No. 3 from 12 German Dances

Ludwig van Beethoven

Flute Choir:

*Aletha Irwin, Suz Lehnerd, Ivy Obuchowski, Kate Shane-Carson,
April Smith, Jill Snyder, Linda Williams*

Welcome



Hymn

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil-der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less - ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.

You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a - round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version

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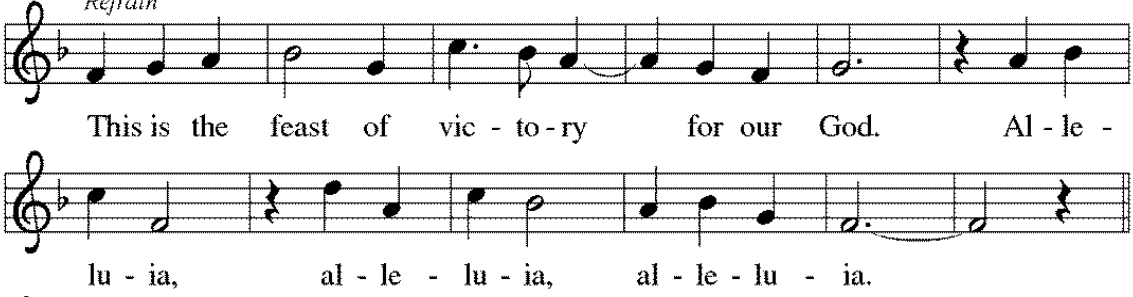
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of
 the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

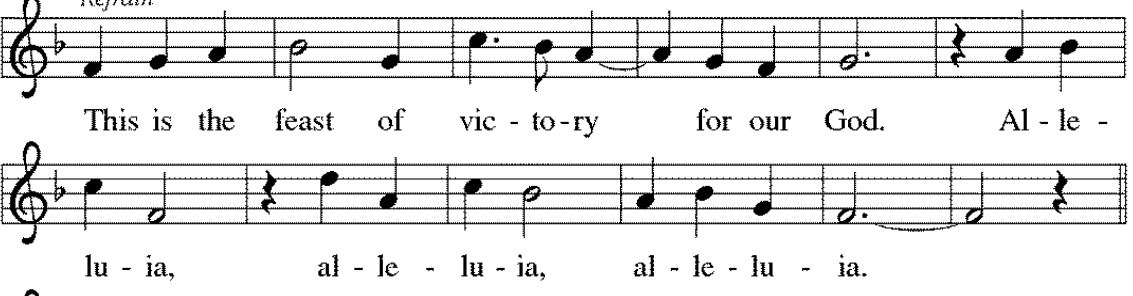
Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us
free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

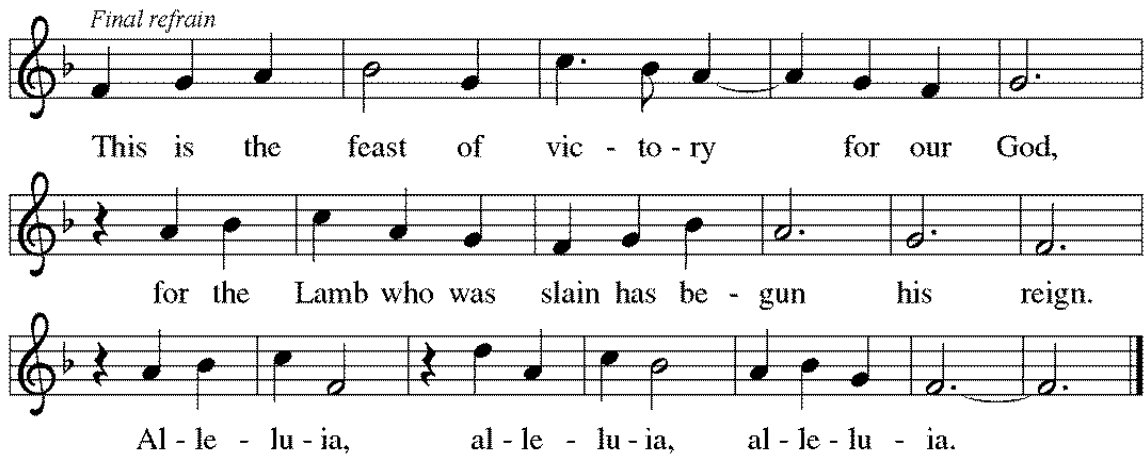
Refrain



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lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated



WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

First Reading **Isaiah 55:1-5** (New Revised Standard Version)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Hear, everyone who thirsts;
 come to the waters;
and you who have no money,
 come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
 without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread
 and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
 and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
 listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
 my steadfast, sure love for David.
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
 a leader and commander for the peoples.
Now you shall call nations that you do not know,
 and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
 for he has glorified you.
May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Amen.**

Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21



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The LORD is gracious and full ¹ of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in ¹ steadfast love.

**LORD, you are | good to all,
and your compassion is over | all your works.**

The Lord upholds all | those who fall
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.

**The eyes of all wait upon | you, O LORD,
and you give them their food | in due season.**

You open ¹ wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every ¹ living thing.

**You are righteous in | all your ways
and loving in | all your works.**

You are near to all who ^o call upon you,
to all who call up- ^o on you faithfully.

**You fulfill the desire of | those who fear you;
you hear their | cry and save them.**

You watch over all | those who love you,
but all the wicked you | shall destroy.

**My mouth shall speak the praise | of the LORD;
let all flesh bless God's holy name forev- | er and ever.**

Second Reading Romans 9:1-5 (New Revised Standard Version)

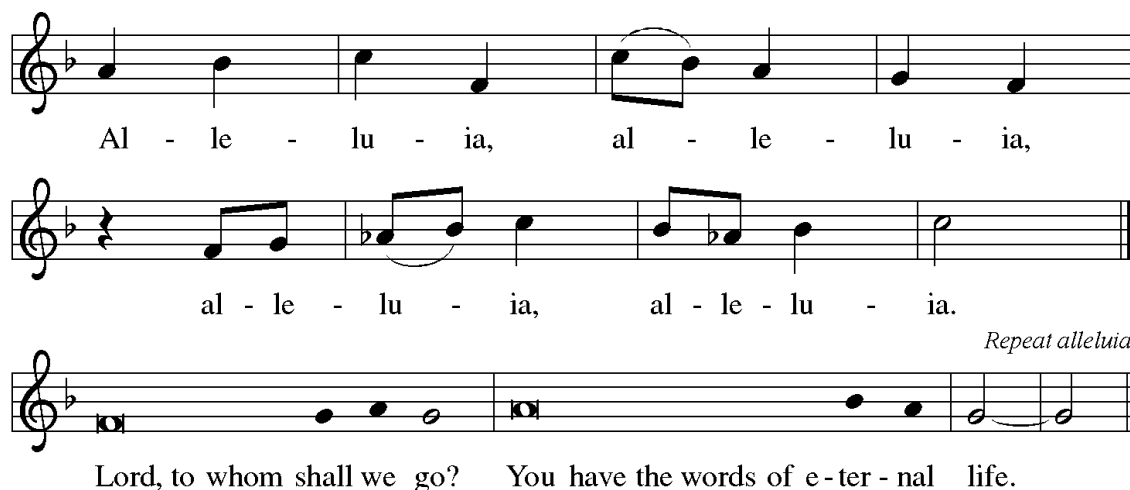
A reading from St. Paul's letter to the early church at Rome

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Amen.**

Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Gospel **Matthew 14:13-21** (New Revised Standard Version)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

FAR FROM NORMAL
Dr. Adam Copeland

Musical Reflection

A Gaelic Offering for Flute Quartet – Rose Cottage

Catherine McMichael
Flute Choir



Apostles' Creed

We honor and celebrate our oneness with Christians in this time and throughout time as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Community Prayers

After each petition: “Your mercy is great, O God.”

Receive our prayer.

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey’s sister Kleta Childs, Bebe McCoy’s brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling’s sister Val, John Kennedy’s niece Michele Wolfe, Maddie Sutphin, Becky and Larry Trover’s son-in-law Brandon James, Skye Andree, Kris Kauffman, Kathie Ehrich, Dottie and Larry Bird, Kelley Frank and Trina Thornton, Kelley’s mother Charlotte Frank, Sue, Tim, and Lisa Watson, Heidi Carman, Debbie Turner’s friends Sherrie and Jim Tompkins, Grace and Ken Jones and their son Dan Jones, Emily Crosley, Bill Boys, Ranel and Neil Hoddinott’s sister and brother-in-law Paulie and Jerry Shaffer, Barbara Hairston, WilFrantz Raymond’s sister Cheslie, Don Luck, Greg Williams, Kathy and Tom Mimlitch’s daughter Holly Ragland, Linda Williams’ sister-in-law Georgeann Neuzil, Karen Rider’s friends Nancy McGinnis, Karen McCune, and Eileene Welker, LaVerna Reinoehl, Drusanne Shaulis, Pastor’s niece Olivia and family, Carol Heacock, April Smith’s brother Hal Wood, Pastor Elizabeth and family on the death of her brother Mark, Redeemer Call Committee

For the people of Epiphany Lutheran Church in Pickerington.

For Redeemer community members Julie, Steve, Evelyn, Alta, and Clyde Boreman.

Time with the Young People

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We greet those who are livestreaming with us by waving to the camera in the back of the sanctuary above the choir loft. Then you are encouraged to greet each other in a way that expresses the peace and love of Christ.

If you do not wish close contact, offer a sign of blessing to others to let them know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

In body or spirit, please stand

Offertory

You Are Holy

1*



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2

You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

* *May be sung in canon.*

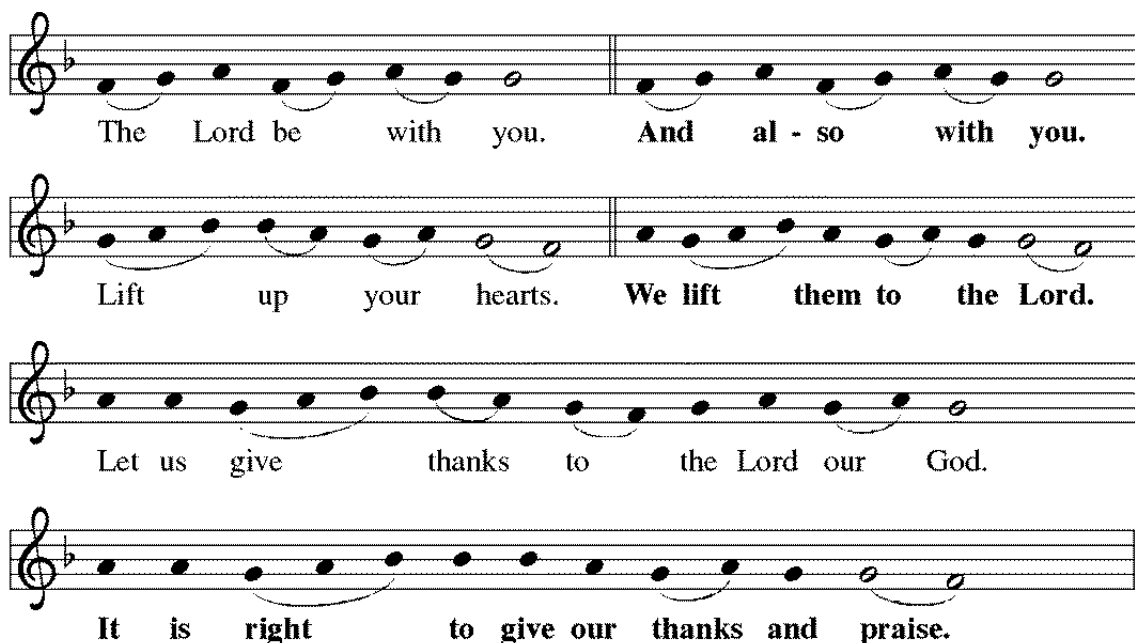
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Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

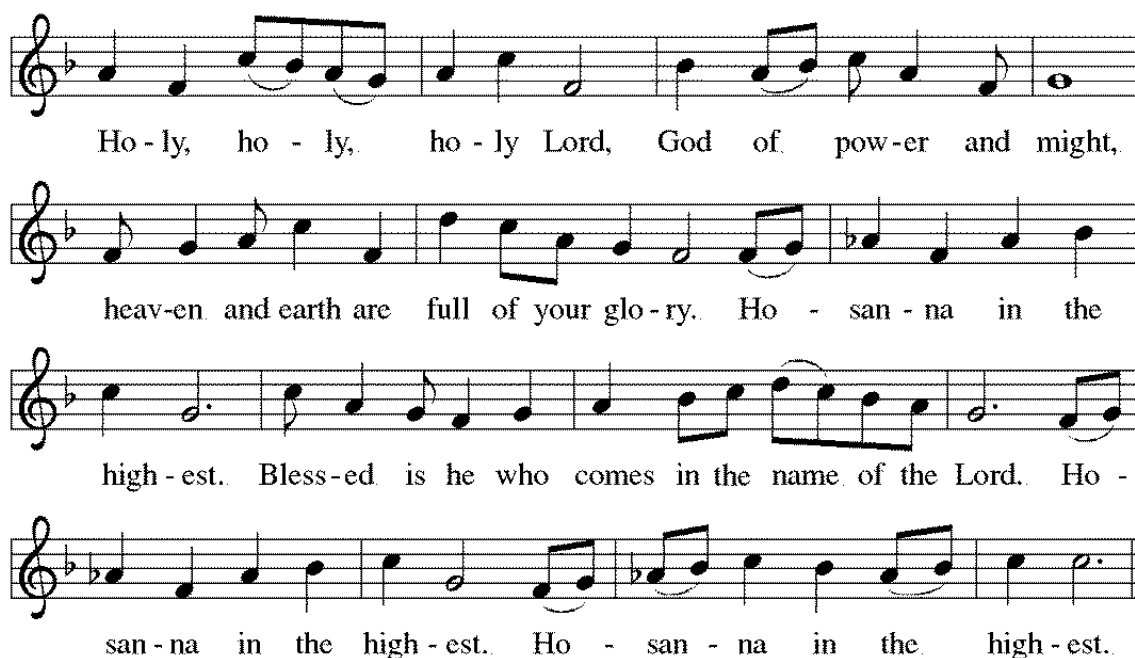
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is a joy to give you our thanks and praise, Living God, and to gather together around this table. This is the table of our Lord on which he sets his tokens of love and hope and to which he calls all who want to share his life. So come – whether your faith is strong or weak, whether your hope shines brightly or is dimmed. Come, ready to receive – for all are welcome at the feast of love.

We join our voices now in that great song of love and adoration that creation sings back to you.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We remember on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his friends and said — “Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.”

After supper, he took a cup of wine and gave it to them, saying, “This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. As often as you drink this, do so to remember me.”

We commit ourselves to becoming a people of hope as we pray the prayer Jesus teaches us:

Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

And so, as we do in this place what Christ did in an upstairs room, send your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine, that the story of hope – of death and rising of new life, and the fruit of your beloved community – may continue on in us and through us.

Sharing the Meal

Whoever you are, from wherever you come, whatever you believe, you are welcome and invited to receive. Come! For all things are now ready.

Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you’d like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.

Hymn

Come, Let Us Eat



- 1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
- 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
- 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
- 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,



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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,



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Hymn

Eat This Bread

Refrain

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
or Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

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Please stand in body or spirit

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, whose story and song are now and always the hope of the world, we praise you for the stories of creation and incarnation, redemption and resolution – the unending words of love. We rejoice in your song of yearning and calling, waiting and welcoming, gathering and cherishing – the eternal music of hope. Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Hymn

All My Hope on God Is Founded



1 All my hope on God is found - ed who will all my
2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
3 Great thy good-ness, e'er en - dur - ing; deep thy wis - dom,
4 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



trust re - new, who through change and chance will guide me,
tray our trust; what with care and toil we fash - ion,
pass - ing thought; splen - dor, light, and life at - tend thee,
praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing



on - ly good and on - ly true. God un - known, God a -
tow'r and tem - ple, fall to dust. But thy pow'r, hour by
beau - ty spring - ing out of naught. Ev - er - more from thy
for the gift of God's own Son. Christ doth call one and



lone, call my heart to be thine own.
hour, is my tem - ple and my tow'r.
store new - born worlds rise and a - dore.
all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

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Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

Allegro from Flute Trio No. 1 (measures 90-120)

Johann Scherer

Flute Choir

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The communion liturgy is adapted from "Enter with Joy," by Pat Bennett, published by Wild Goose Publications.



This morning we welcome Rev. Dr. Adam J. Copeland.

Rev. Dr. Adam Copeland spent fifteen years in ministry, higher education leadership, and healthcare strategy—teaching at Concordia College and

Luther Seminary before serving most recently as Senior Director of Digital Strategy at Mayo Clinic. He is now exploring new opportunities to serve in Columbus and will be teaching at OSU's John Glenn College of Public Affairs in the fall. He is ordained in the Presbyterian Church USA and has served in several ELCA-related ministries, including the Board of Trustees for Portico Benefit Services. His degrees are from St. Olaf College (B.A.), Columbia Theological Seminary (M.Div.), and North Dakota State University (Ph.D.)

Having moved from Minnesota earlier this year, Adam is delighted to be putting down roots in this community, where he and his family have made Bexley their home. He attends Broad Street Presbyterian Church.

We are happy to have with us this morning the Flute Choir

Aletha Irwin, Suz Lehnerd, Ivy Obuchowski, Kate Shane-Carson,
April Smith, Jill Snyder, and Linda Williams.



**Tuesday Bible Study
1:00pm**

In-Person and Zoom:

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**Berwick Civic Association
Tuesday, August 4
6 pm
Berwick School**



LSS Food Pantry

*Wednesday, August 5
12:30-4:00 pm*

*Thursday, August 20
12:30-4:00 pm*

*Contact Kathleen Zwanziger
to volunteer*



RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden
and donations from friends and neighbors

Saturday mornings

10 am until gone

August 9 + 11:15 am
Room 2

Call Process Review – Any questions? Krista Skipper

In-Person and Zoom:

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Phone only: 1-305-224-1968

Getting to Know ~Pastor Kayla Hopgood~

Please join us as we get to know the
candidate for Pastor of Redeemer.

Saturday August 15 – 2-4 p.m.

In-Person and Zoom:

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Sunday, August 23
following worship
To vote on recommended Pastor.



Church Picnic

August 23

Immediately following
congregational meeting
Watch *Reflections* for further details
Please join us!



Good Neighbors Picnic
Saturday, September 26
Now collecting cold weather
items: blankets, sweatshirts, hats,
gloves, scarves, etc.
Collection bins are in the cloakroom



August Birthdays:
3 - Chelsea Hood
3 - Kathy Pautsch
5 - Julie Denniss
6 - Clayton Ullman
8 - Jessica Marquez
9 - Justin Marquez
15 - Seth Harms
15 - Sarah Kirkman
16 - Cathy Oldham
17 - Thelma Johnson
22 - Emily Crosley
23 - Scott Steiner
25 - LaVerna Reinoehl
26 - Brad Binau
27 - Matthew Bird
27 - Jon Disbro
31 - Lynn Belhorn

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	Dr. Adam Copeland
Assisting Minister	Karen Rider
Cantor	Brad Dana
Organist & Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Zak Hinkle-Moore
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Diane Brobeck, Kathryn Ott, Karen Rider
Producers	Toshi Phillips, Sachio Phillips
Hospitality	Laura and Terry Warren

*Flowers are given by **the Trover family** in celebration of **Rose's birthday**.
The Noisy Offering will go to Habitat for Humanity MidOhio.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER AUGUST 2-9

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
Monday	4:30 pm	ZOOM Executive Team
Tuesday	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
	5:15 pm	ZOOM Outreach Team
Wednesday	12:30-4 pm	RLC at LSS Food Pantry
Saturday	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway
Next Sunday	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	Call Committee Q&A

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Redeemer's vision: To foster understanding and healing in community
Redeemer's Values: Inclusion, Compassion, Justice